

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

CRM-M No.29104 of 2019
DATE OF DECISION : 16th JULY, 2019

Harsh Chaddha

.... Petitioner

Versus

The State of Punjab

.... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJBIR SEHRAWAT

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Present : Mr. Parminder Singh Rai, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Kirat Singh Sidhu, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

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RAJBIR SEHRAWAT, J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed by the petitioner under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of bail pending trial in case FIR No.126 dated 04.08.2018 registered under Sections 406 & 420 IPC and Section 13 of Punjab Travel Professional Regulations Act, 2014 at Police Station Maqsudan, District Jalandhar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the present case has been registered against the petitioner out of misunderstanding between the parties. It is also submitted that the petitioner has already returned the amount of ₹9.5 lacs to the complainant out of the total alleged amount of ₹27.5 lacs. It is also submitted that the complainant has settled the dispute with the petitioner and has even sworn in an affidavit to this effect. Still further, it is submitted that the petitioner is in custody since 10.04.2019. The challan has already been filed in this case. Therefore, the petitioner is not required for investigation purposes.

On the other hand, learned counsel for the State, being instructed by the police official, submits that he has no knowledge about the alleged compromise between the parties. It is further submitted that the petitioner has committed a fraud of more than ₹27 lacs. It is not disputed that the challan has already been filed in this case and that the petitioner is in custody since 10.04.2019.

In view of the above, but without commenting upon merits of the case, the present petition is allowed. It is ordered that the petitioner be released on bail on his furnishing bail bonds/sureties to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

16th JULY, 2019
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(RAJBIR SEHRAWAT)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned:</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>
<i>Whether Reportable:</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>